

INVESTIGATIVE REPORT:

This report pertains to an investigation of the identification of the burial location, or headstone markings, of a member of the Canadian Expeditionary Force (CEF) during the Great War 1914-1921.

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Reason for Submission: ("X" means purpose of the report)

Casualty Identification:		Burial Information:	
Confirmed Identity	X	Burial Location Identified	X
Most Probable Identity		Grave Stone Correction	
Questionable Identity		Grave Records Correction	
Incorrect Identity		Request for CWGC Details	
Other		Other	

Supporting Documents: (# refers to attachment number; "I" information provided)

Casualty Identification:		Burial Information:	
McLean, Ivan	i	Serre Road Cemetery No. 2	link
31 st Infantry Battalion	i	Somme, France	i
Private #79533	i	Plot 28 Row E Grave 8	i
Date of Death: 15-9-1916	link	Date of Burial: 26-11-1928	i
Attestation Papers	link	Cemetery Schematic	link
Service Record	n/a	Graves Registration Report	7
Circumstance of Death	1	Concentration of Grave	8
CEF Canada Register	2	Headstone Register	
War Diary Extract(s)	3	Casualty Spreadsheet	
Area Map(s)	4	Trench Map Exhumation	
Trench Map(s)	5	Grave Stone Photograph	
Possible Candidates List	6	Grave Stone Inscription	
Excluded Candidates List		Memorial Inscription/Photo	
Other		Reporting and Review	9

Summary of Findings:

The Graves Registration Report form for Serre Road Cemetery No. 2 Plot 28 Row E Grave 8 lists an Unknown Canadian Soldier with personal effects (comb) marked "31Bn533" and (spoon) "W or M".

A review of all the candidates of the 31st Battalion on the Somme battlefield on the Vimy Memorial yields 145 ALL RANKS. Of these only one (1) Private has a number containing "533" and his last name begins with "M" (McLean).

Details of Findings:

The findings are conclusive that the remains in Plot 28 Row E Grave 2 of the Serre Road Cemetery No.2 are those of Private Ivan McLean #79533.

The findings are based on the following:

1. The "*Circumstance of Death Record*" for Private Ivan McLean #79533 reports that he was killed in action of 15 September 1916 while serving with the 31st Infantry Battalion in the attack on Courcellette (Attachment #1). There was no record of his burial.
2. The "*E-13 War Graves Register*" for Private McLean confirms that he was killed in action in the area of the Somme on 15 September 1916, and as his body was not recovered for burial, his name was added to the UNKNOWNS listed on the Vimy Memorial (Attachment #2).
3. The "*War Diary of the 31st Infantry Battalion*" for 14-15 September 1916 reports that the 31st Battalion was at Pozieres and involved in the attack on the Village of Courcellette (Attachment #3). The 6th Infantry Brigade, of which the 31st Battalion is a component, was to make the attack on the enemy at 6:20 am on 15 September. The 31st Battalion was assigned to support of the 27th and 28th Battalions and thus their men were expected to be scattered. They were stationed in the vicinity of Centre Way Communication Trench, Trench Map Coordinates **57d.R.34.a.3.5**.
4. The position where the action of the 31st Battalion (6th Infantry Brigade, 2nd Canadian Division) took place is depicted on an extract of Nicholson Map 6 (Attachment #4). The 6th Infantry Brigade was moving in a northeast direction from Pozieres toward Courcellette, swinging more northward as they approached the village. The battalion was moving north of the road between the area marked by the Windmill (Sector 57d.R.36.c) and the Sugar Factory (Sector 57d.R.36.a).
5. The specific path of the 6th Infantry Brigade on 15 September 1916 is marked out on a period Trench Map, which provides great detail than that shown in Nicholson Map 6 (Attachment #5). We have marked on this map where the remains were recovered at **57d.R.35.c.81.86**. Note the location of the Windmill on this map at 57d.R.35.c.8.2.
6. The records of the "*Commonwealth War Graves Commission - War Dead*" were searched for men of the 31st Infantry Battalion for the time that they may have had men on the Somme Battlefield from July 1, 1916 to October 31, 1916. All the reported casualties occurred between 10 September 1916 and 28 September 1916. The UNKNOWNS on the Vimy Memorial were 145 men of all ranks of which 109 were Privates, a group which is the only one to contain a member bearing a Service Number containing the digits **553** (Attachment #6). That sole candidate also had a last name beginning with the letter **M**.

For the same period in all CEF Units there are a staggering 3,973 names on the Vimy Memorial for the Unknown. Of these there were 10 additional men with the number **533** as a component of their service number. Of these three (3) had a surname starting with the letter **W** or **M**. White #75339 of the 29th Battalion and Walsh #153323 of the 43rd Battalion were not in the vicinity at the time of their death. McCombe #53364 of the 18th Battalion was the closest but his remains were recorded as being at **57c.M.31.d.0.5**, approximately 1,500 yards to the southeast (where expected).

7. A researcher who consulted only the “*Graves Registration Report Form*” would not be aware of the capability to identify the remains in Plot 28 Row E Grave 8 as that documents states only “Unknown Canadian Soldier” (Attachment #7). The GRRF is marked as being “*all concentrations*”. The form does record an additional member of the 31st Battalion, Pte. J. Franklin #424801, as well as two other members of the 6th Infantry Brigade from the 27th Battalion.
8. The “*Concentration of Graves (Exhumations and Reburials) Burial Return*” provides the details (matching identification effects) that enable the identification of the candidate as Private Ivan **McClean** #79**533** of the 31st Infantry Battalion (Attachment #8). The remains were located at **57d.R.35.c.81.86**, as previously marked. Private Franklin #424801, who was identified as being in Plot 28 Row E Grave 13, was recovered at the same time at **57d.R.35.c.45.64** confirming that location for the 31st Battalion. The other two members of the 6th Infantry Brigade in Graves 14 and 15 were also found at that location.

Action Required:

The “Investigative Report” has been prepared in accordance with the procedures and criteria set out by the CWGC, should they wish to make any changes to the commemoration details (Attachment #9).

The evidence is clear that the only candidate for the remains in Plot 28 Row E Grave 8 at Serre Road Cemetery No. 2 is **Private Ivan McLean** #79**533** of the 31st Infantry Battalion, 6th Infantry Brigade, 2nd Canadian Division. Private McLean was in the correct location, with a matching group of numbers **533** in his Service Number and a last name starting with the **W** or **M**. All other potential candidates were checked and there are no matches.

Note:

The correct surname is McLean not MacLean, as reported in the original documents.

ATTACHMENT #1

Ancestry.com. Canada, War Graves Registers (Circumstances of Casualty), 1914-1948 [[database on-line](#)]. Provo, UT, USA: Ancestry.com Operations, Inc., 2010. Original data: [War Graves Registry: Circumstances of Death Records](#). Record Group 150, 1992-1993/314, Boxes 145-238. Library and Archives Canada. Ottawa, Ontario, Canada. War Graves Ledger Books. RG 150, 1992-93/314, vols. 239-302. Library and Archives Canada, Ottawa, Ontario, Canada.

1. NO.	2. RANK OR RATING	3. SURNAME	4. CHRISTIAN NAMES
79533	Private	McLEAN	Ivan.
5. UNIT OR SHIP	6. DATE OF CASUALTY	7. H.Q. FILE NO.	8. RELIGION
31st Battalion.	15-9-16.	649-M-9289.	Not stated.
9. CIRCUMSTANCES OF CASUALTY		10. NAME, RELATIONSHIP AND ADDRESS OF NEXT OF KIN	
"Killed in Action"			
11. LOCATION OF UNIT AT TIME OF CASUALTY			
Attack at Courcellette.			
NOTE--Items 12, 13 and 14 are not to be completed until grave is permanently located.			
12. CEMETERY	13. LOCATION OF CEMETERY	14. GRAVE LOCATION	15. REGISTERED NO. OF GRAVE
		Grave.....	
		Plot.....	
		Row.....	
16. PHOTOGRAPH OF GRAVE TAKEN	17. EXPOSURE NO.	18. PHOTOGRAPH OF GRAVE AND CEMETERY SUPPLIED TO	
19.		20. FURTHER PARTICULARS ON REVERSE SIDE OF SHEET.	

21. REPORTED LOCATIONS OF GRAVE.
Body not recovered for burial.
22. REMARKS.

ATTACHMENT #2

Ancestry.com. Canada, CEF Commonwealth War Graves Registers, 1914-1919 [[database on-line](#)].
 Provo, UT, USA: Ancestry.com Operations, Inc., 2010. Original data: [War Graves Registry: Circumstances of Death Records](#); (RG150, 1992-1993/314, Boxes 39-144); Library and Archives
 Canada, Ottawa, Ontario.

37086 Auth. Reg. on Reg. A.P. E-13 J 4/1/29		
NUMBER 79533.	RANK Private.	NAME MacLEAN, I. 649-M-9289.
UNIT 31st. Battn.	NEXT-OF-KIN:-	
FILE NO. R.L. 25. M. 2701.		

DATE OF DEATH	CAUSE AND PLACE OF DEATH	CAS. SHEET NO.
15-9-16.	Killed in Action.	A.336. Sheet 1.

DATE OF BURIAL	PLACE OF BURIAL	DESCRIPTION OF GRAVE
X	✓ Body not recovered for Burial Authority on R.L. 26-7a. Killed in Area — The Gravel. Authority on R.L. 25. M. 2701. No information of Burial as at 16/9/21. Aut. H.Q. File 649-M-9289.	

For possible Burial Report see 649 M 9289

VIMY MEMORIAL

ATTACHMENT #3

Library and Archives Canada: War Diaries of the First World War. Available as (1) [ArchivaNet: On-Line Research Tool](http://www.archivare.com), or (2) War Diaries of the First World War.

<http://data2.collectionscanada.ca/e/e040/e000975162.jpg>

WAR DIARY			Army Form C. 2118
INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY			
Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information
POZIERES.	Sept. 12th	9.30k	Bright clear morning. Enemy aeroplane shot down and burned behind our lines. Visited R.A.P. 29th. Battalion, near POZIERES, BAPAUME ROAD.
		10.00k	Heavy Artillery fire. 2 men wounded during night. Drizzling rain.
POZIERES.		16.00k	
POZIERES.	13th	9.00k	Rainy morning. N.W. wind. 2 killed and 16 wounded on night work party. 1 N.C.O. wounded at dug-out. 1 sick sent to No. 4 Field Ambulance.
POZIERES.	14th	9.00k	Fine clear morning. Cool. 2 sick sent to No. 4 Field Ambulance. Men are in good spirits and ready for attack to-morrow morning.
		10.00k	Visited CENTRE WAY communication trench and examined dug-outs at R.34.1,3.5. One will be used as Battalion Headquarters and another is suitable for R.A.P. No dug-out that will admit a stretcher is available.
		12.00k	Battalion standing to, ready to go to assembly trenches, after evening bombardment between 19.00k and 19.50k. I see stretcher bearers and give them final instructions, location of R.A.P. etc.
		16.00k	6th. Canadian Infantry Brigade is making an attack on enemy at 6.20k, Sept. 15th. 31st. Battalion will support 27th. Battalion and 28th. Battalion and will in consequence be somewhat scattered. I send L/Cpl. Bright ahead to Battalion Headquarters, to await my arrival.
		18.00k	Leave for R.A.P. Artillery very active on left. Enemy replying vigorously all along our line.
		19.00k	Our intense bombardment begins. I am in COX'S ALLEY with orderly, Willis and my batman. Enemy's counter barrage looks too thick to face at present, and we wait in 27th. Battalion R.A.P. until Artillery fire subsides.
		20.00k	Leave, in company of M.O. 28th. Battalion and orderlies for R.A.P. on CENTRE WAY. Enemy shelling very heavy.
		21.00k	We arrive at R.A.P. dug-out and find it occupied by a platoon of 5th. C.M.R. Battalion. They are to go out at 23.30k. Visit Battalion Headquarters, 50 yards up trench. 28th. and 31st. Battalions have Headquarters together. We shall also use same R.A.P. dug-out. Heavy shelling.

2333 Wt. W514/1454 700/000 5/15 D.D.&L. ADSS./Form C. 2118

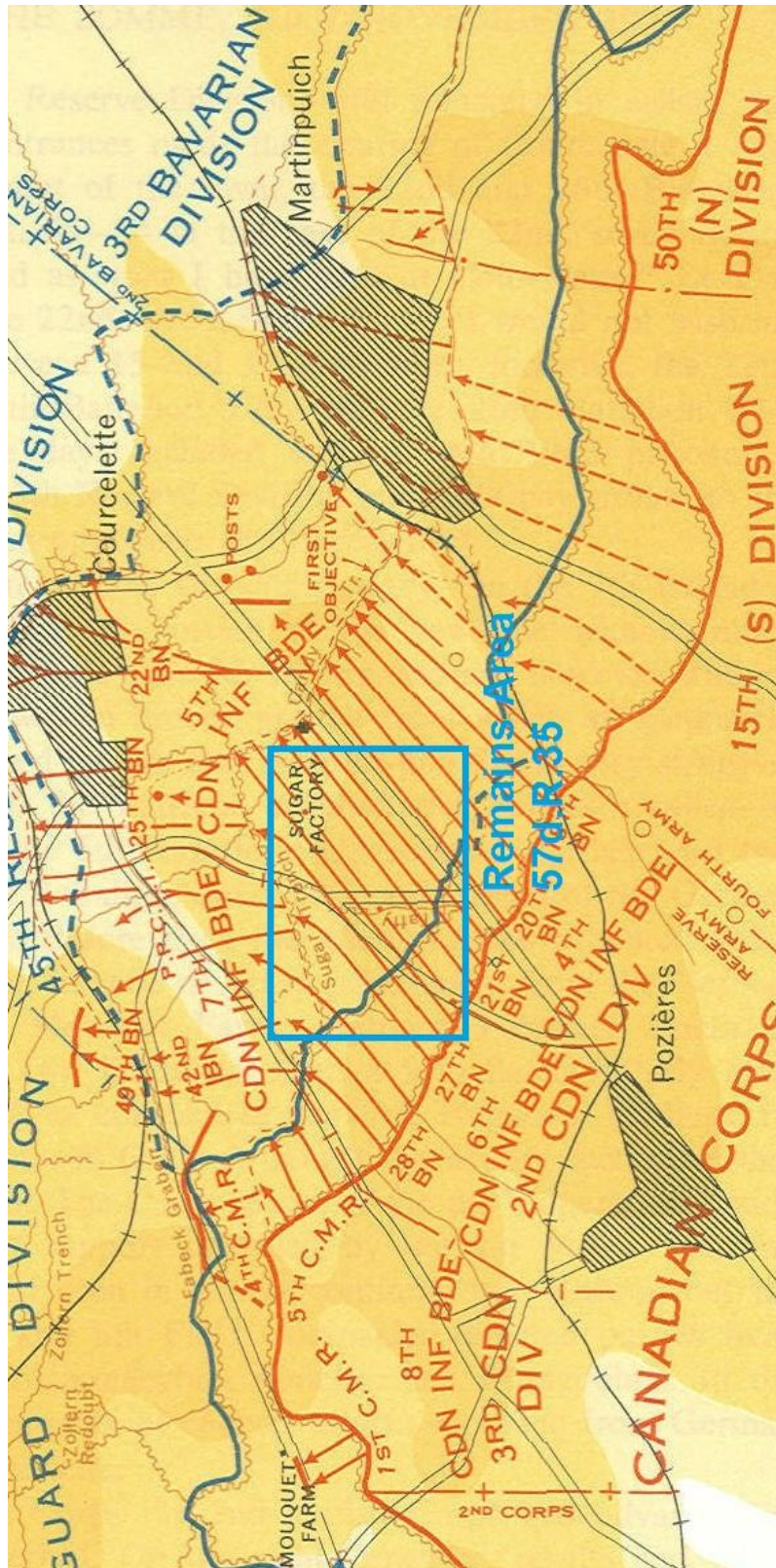
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WAR DIARY			Army Form C. 2118
INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY			
Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information
POZIERES.	Sept. 15th	1.00k	Clear moonlight night. Artillery fire lying down. C.M.R. platoon moves out. Sgt. Turner C. Coy. goes out with severe abdominal wound.
		3.00k	Visit Battalion Headquarters.
		6.20k	Zero hour. Attack begins. Terrific Artillery bombardment. German guns reply in a few minutes.
		7.00k	Wounded beginning to come in, chiefly walking cases. We cannot get stretchers into dug-out and press lying cases in trench and in the open.
		7.30k	We attend to a batch of 20 wounded German prisoners, including 1 Officer.
		8.00k	My batman is killed by a piece of shell.
		8.00k	R.A.P. and adjoining trench filled with severely wounded men. I send messages to Field Ambulance and Brigade Headquarters for carrying parties.
		12.00k	Carrying party from 29th. Battalion has cleared our wounded. More continue to arrive.
		14.00k	Capt. Ross, No. 6th. Field Ambulance, arrives with stretcher squad. Several severe stretcher cases are on hand. 6th. Field Ambulance squad takes two.
		18.00k	Very intense hostile shelling. Canadian Corps has reached all first objectives. 5th. and 7th. Brigades are pushing attack into COURCELETTE and on left towards NEUQUET FARM. Trench entrance to R.A.P. dug-out blown in by shell.
		18.00k	Constant stream of wounded, chiefly from 42nd. Battalion, 7th. Brigade.
		20.00k	Stretcher squads have not returned. Have sent message to this effect. We dig out and clean entrance to dug-out.
POZIERES.	16th	1.00k	Stretcher bearer squad of 5th. Field Ambulance arrives. They had been lost on way up, hence delay. Wounded all cleared.
		8.00k	Have heard that 28th. and 31st. Battalions have been relieved.
		9.00k	Turn R.A.P. over to M.O., R.C. Reg. and go out overland to 6th. Brigade Headquarters, with Capt. Collins, M.O. 28th. Battalion. Enemy still shelling but not nearly so hard as yesterday. Attack has been great success all along the line. 5th. Brigade took COURCELETTE last evening.
		10.00k	31st. Battalion has collected at CASUALTY CORNER near CONTAMMAISON. I report to O.C. Battalion. Casualties estimated at 350. 7 Officers including 3 Company Commanders are reported killed 5 wounded and 1 missing.

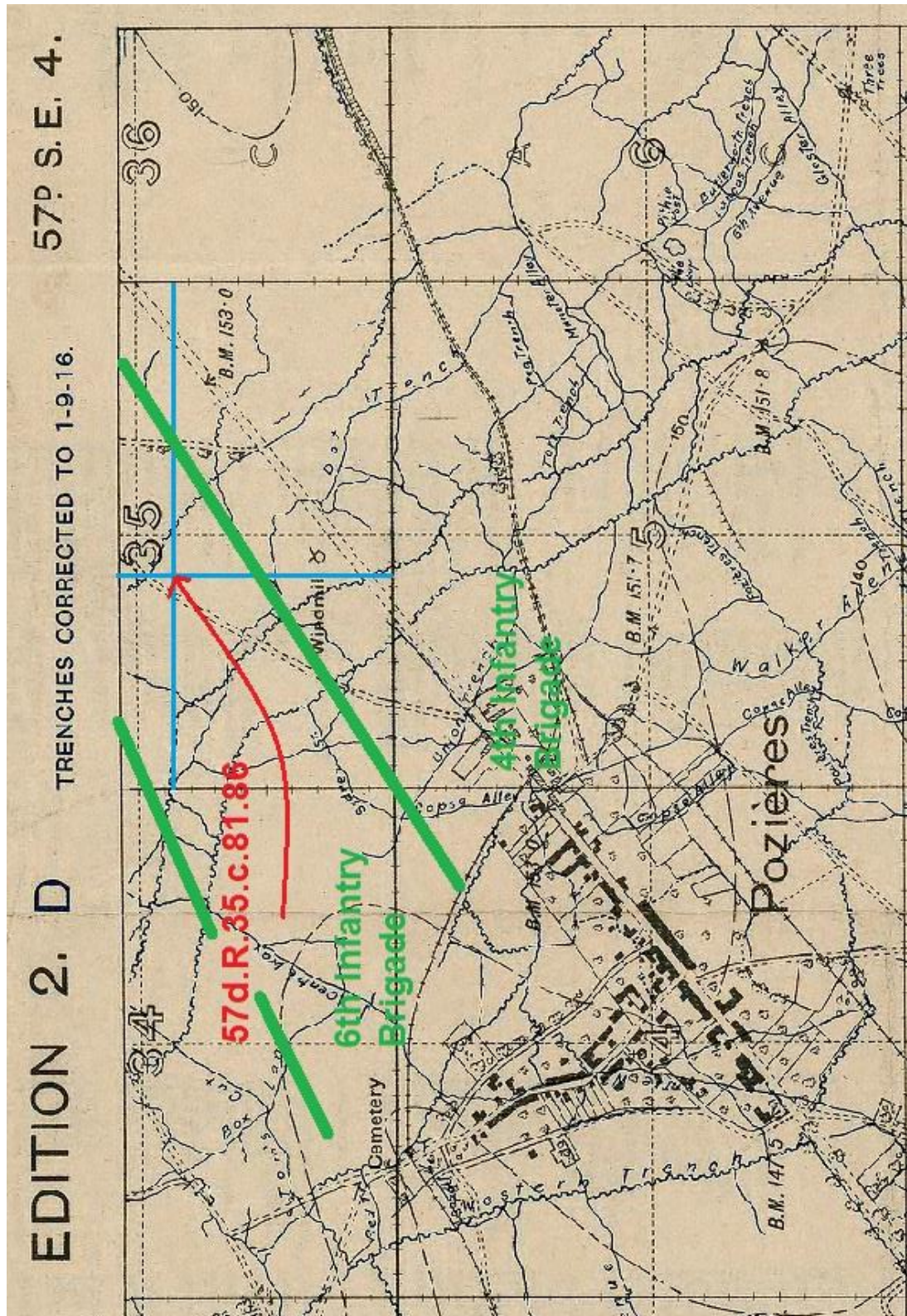
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ATTACHMENT #4

Official History of the Canadian Army in the First World War. Canadian Expeditionary Force 1914-1919. Col. G. W. L. Nicholson. Queens Printer and Controller of Stationary. Ottawa Canada 1962. (Nicholson [Matrix Utility Digital Source](#) by the Canadian Expeditionary Force Study Group).



The National Archives British Trench Map Atlas . 57dSE4 Ovillers. Edition 2D(S) Map wo297_1516
Trenches Corrected 1/9/16. Naval and Military Press, Uckfield, West Sussex, United Kingdom.



ATTACHMENT #6

Commonwealth War Graves Commission: Find War Dead: 31st Canadian Infantry Battalion Privates from July 1, 1916 to October 31, 1916. (Candidates bearing numbers 533 marked)

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q			
1	surname	initials	death 1	death 2	#	suriname	initials	death 1	death 2	#	suriname	initials	death 1	death 2	#	suriname	initials	death 1	death 2	#
2	ADAMSON	J G C	27-09-16		'446148'	GURNEY	A E	27-09-16		'184011'	OATES	A	15-09-16		'446121'					
3	ADSETT	J W	24-09-16	30-09-16	'184241'	GWILLIAM	F	15-09-16		'446443'	PAGE	T	27-09-16		'447182'					
4	ALCOCK	A H	15-09-16		'160884'	HARRIS	H T	15-09-16		'472371'	PORTER	S S	24-09-16	30-09-16	'472205'					
5	ANDERSON	J J	27-09-16		'430381'	HARRISON	F	27-09-16		'160734'	RADZEVEV	W	27-09-16		'183290'					
6	ASHTON	H C	15-09-16		'79032'	HAWKER	H	15-09-16		'79330'	RAE	M H	24-09-16	30-09-16	'101357'					
7	BEATON	H E	27-09-16		'430076'	HOGARTH	P	15-09-16		'435827'	REID	W G	15-09-16		'447681'					
8	BELL	J	15-09-16		'602383'	HORROCKS	R	15-09-16		'100714'	RICHARDSON	J M	15-09-16		'100713'					
9	BENOIT	S J	15-09-16		'80278'	HUNT	G S	24-09-16		'161287'	RITCHIE	J P	24-09-16	30-09-16	'79703'					
10	BERUBE	F	27-09-16		'184156'	INKSTER	A F R	27-09-16		'79529'	ROWLINSON	A	24-09-16	30-09-16	'408192'					
11	BIRKILL	T M	15-09-16		'434190'	JAMES	W	15-09-16		'101271'	RUSTAD	G	24-09-16	30-09-16	'183434'					
12	BISSET	R	15-09-16		'100047'	JOHNSON	A A	24-09-16	30-09-16	'101528'	RUTHERFORD	N	24-09-16		'184056'					
13	BLACK	W	27-09-16		'467508'	JOHNSTON	S E	15-09-16		'447689'	SAUNDERS	J	15-09-16		'446419'					
14	BOURNS	W P	26-09-16		'446572'	JONES	B	15-09-16		'79941'	SCHOEMPE	A F	27-09-16		'425715'					
15	BRAZEAU	G	24-09-16	30-09-16	'160359'	JUNCK	V H	15-09-16		'101613'	SHARON	H F	27-09-16		'184100'					
16	BUIST	R H	24-09-16	30-09-16	'183511'	KIRKMAN	C F	24-09-16	30-09-16	'79214'	SHARPE	G S	15-09-16		'447212'					
17	BURKE	T	24-09-16	30-09-16	'18478'	LANGRIDGE	H A	15-09-16		'525010'	SHAW	E	24-09-16	30-09-16	'426513'					
18	BUTCHER	N S	27-09-16		'183604'	LEEMAN	T S	24-09-16		'80284'	SHAW	A I	27-09-16		'160358'					
19	CAMPBELL	J	24-09-16	30-09-16	'430085'	LIGHT	A N	15-09-16		'447404'	SHEPHEARCE	B	27-09-16		'80236'					
20	CAMPBELL	S L	27-09-16		'424647'	LLOYD	C	15-09-16		'101281'	SOGGE	O	27-09-16		'184204'					
21	CLARKE	H	15-09-16		'446432'	MACDONALD	C A	10-09-16		'101630'	SOULECHO	F	27-09-16		'183890'					
22	CLIFTON	F	15-09-16		'446061'	MACLEAN	I	15-09-16		'79533'	SOUTH	E	15-09-16		'100396'					
23	COOK	W	15-09-16		'79566'	MAGUIRE	J	27-09-16		'183529'	STEWART	J	24-09-16	30-09-16	'160283'					
24	CORBY	H	27-09-16		'183953'	MALLORY	H	15-09-16		'79945'	STROMBERG	A	15-09-16		'427229'					
25	DEWAR	W J	27-09-16		'461506'	MANN	A J	27-09-16		'79196'	TAYLOR	J W	15-09-16		'101041'					
26	DIXON	G E	15-09-16		'100820'	MANN	L	27-09-16		'101251'	THIEBOT	J F	15-09-16		'430086'					
27	DOHERTY	J H	28-09-16		'79827'	MARCH	W	24-09-16		'79946'	THOMAS	H	15-09-16		'425673'					
28	DOWER	J	24-09-16		'434764'	MARSH	W J	15-09-16		'446526'	WIBERG	E F	27-09-16		'101720'					
29	DYER	J B	15-09-16		'446084'	MOLE	W	15-09-16		'79256'	WILLIAMSON	J	26-09-16		'79656'					
30	ELLIOTT	W	26-09-16		'430055'	MOORE	A	15-09-16		'408157'	WILLOX	G	24-09-16		'183302'					
31	EVANS	C S	15-09-16		'101112'	MOORE	A S	15-09-16		'447521'	WILSON	J	27-09-16		'160270'					
32	FIELD	J	15-09-16		'101526'	MUNGHAM	H W	15-09-16		'425634'	WRIGHT	H A	27-09-16		'447535'					
33	FISKE	K R	26-09-16		'160921'	MacDONALD	A R	15-09-16		'425586'										
34	GEDDES	A C	24-09-16		'160065'	McAlister	A J	24-09-16	30-09-16	'100448'										
35	GOOD	J H	15-09-16		'101426'	McBAIN	W	24-09-16	30-09-16	'184028'										
36	GRAHAM	F G	27-09-16		'434896'	McCOMBE	A	15-09-16		'434797'										
37	GRANT	J	27-09-16		'79840'	McDONALD	A	27-09-16		'100838'										
38	GRANT	J F	27-09-16		'184212'	McDOWELLE	I	15-09-16		'101678'										
39	GREGALAITIS	C	24-09-16	30-09-16	'447757'	McMILLAN	A G	24-09-16		'160652'										
40	GRUZELIER	C	15-09-16		'79076'	NEAVE	W	15-09-16		'100603'										

ATTACHMENT #7

Commonwealth War Graves Commission. Graves Registration Report Form.

<http://archive.cloud.cwgc.org/archive/doc/doc2616514.JPG>

Army Form W. 3372.

GRAVES REGISTRATION REPORT FORM.

REPORT No. 93. SCHEDULE No. 254.c.c.

Comma; Beaumont-Hamel.

PLACE OF BURIAL SERRE ROAD CEMETERY. No:2.

All concentrations.

Map Reference 57.D. K.35. a.1.0

The following are buried here:—

Regiment	No.	Name	Rank and Initials	Date of Death	Cross Erected or G. R. U'd.	Plot, Row and Grave
		PLOT. 28. ROW. "E".				Grave. No:
48th.Bn. A.I.F.	4010.	Taylor.	J. Pte	6.8.16	EFX/23344	3 ✓
48th.Bn. A.I.F.	4976.	Hammond.	H. 2 Pte	" - "	EFX/23345	4 ✓
		THREE UNKNOWN AUSTRALIAN SOLDIERS.			E	5 ✓
		UNKNOWN CANADIAN SOLDIER.			EFX/23346	6 ✓
		UNKNOWN CANADIAN SOLDIER.			EFX/23347	7 ✓
		UNKNOWN CANADIAN SOLDIER.			EFX/23348	8 ✓
		UNKNOWN CANADIAN SOLDIER.			EFX/23349	9 ✓
48th.Bn.A.I.F.	3775.	Willard.	F. Pte	6.8.16	EFX/23355	10 ✓
		UNKNOWN AUSTRALIAN SOLDIER.			EFX/23356	11 ✓
		UNKNOWN AUSTRALIAN SOLDIER.			E	12 ✓
48/A.I.F.	4131.	BART. UNKNOWN AUSTRALIAN SOLDIER.	H.W. 4/4	4/4/16	EFX/23357	13 ✓
31st.Bn. Canadians	424801.	FRANKLIN	J.P. Pte	on on since 15.9.16	EFX/23358	14 ✓
27th.Bn. -do-	460478.	Hill (true name) PATERSON P.A.Pte.		15.9.16	EFX/23359	15 ✓
27th.Bn. -do-		UNKNOWN CANADIAN SOLDIER.			E	16 ✓
20th.Bn. A.I.F.	2178.	Madden.	J.P. Pte	26.8.16	EFX/23360	17 ✓
					EFX/23361	

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ATTACHMENT #8

Commonwealth War Graves Commission. Concentration of Graves (Exhumations and Reburials) Burial Return. <http://archive.cloud.cwgc.org/archive/doc/doc2050182.JPG>

Not 5: Area. I.W.G.C.
Serial No: VR/574/549/R.
26-11-28.

CONCENTRATION OF GRAVES (Exhumation and Reburials).
BEAUMONT-HAMEL 93-695

BURIAL RETURN.

all crosses erected.
Name of Cemetery of Reburial: **SERRE ROAD CEMETERY. No: 2. Beaumont-Hamel & Hebuterne. 57.D. R.35. a.1.0**

Plot	Row	Grave	Map Reference where body found	Was cross on grave?	Regimental particulars	Means of Identification	Were any effects forwarded to Base?
28	E	6	57.D. R.35. c.80.85	No	UNKNOWN CANADIAN SOLDIER.	G.S.Uniform, boots, titles.	<i>FX 23344</i> Titles. "FF"
28	E	7	57.D. R.35. c.90.85	No	UNKNOWN CANADIAN SOLDIER.	G.S.Uniform, boots, titles.	<i>FX 23348</i> Titles. "FF"
28	E	8	57.D. R.35. c.81.86	No	UNKNOWN CANADIAN SOLDIER.	G.S.uniform, boots, titles.	<i>FX 23340</i> Titles, buttons, comb stamped 31 En533. Spoon marked W or M.

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SLIPS CHECKED *14/1/28*

This form to be made out in triplicate, two copies being handed to the D.A.D. (C. of G.) and the other retained by the Burial Officer.

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ATTACHMENT #9

This “*Reporting and Review*” attachment is provided to assist all parties in the submission of an investigative report related to the identification of the burial location, or headstone markings, of a member of the Canadian Expeditionary Force (CEF) during the Great War 1914-1921. The Commonwealth War Graves Commission (CWGC) receives a copy of this report in the event they wish to make changes to the commemoration details. In order to alter the records, the CWGC has set out their criteria for the procedure and submission of cases for review, as detailed below. The CWGC is under no obligation to make changes based on a report.

Procedure:	Guideline Criteria for Submission:
All new identification cases need to be assessed in the first instance by the Canadian Agency (CA) and submissions should go to their office directly. After an initial assessment, if the Agency feels that the case is compelling, they will then pass all the documentation to the Commemorations Team at the Commission's Head Office. Head Office will then review the case and inform the CA of their findings. The Canadian authorities will then decide whether or not any changes to the arrangements for commemoration are required and inform the Commission accordingly.	Cases need to present clear and convincing evidence to prove the identity of a casualty and must not be based on assumption or speculation. The Commission's Commemoration Team will also consider whether the findings of a better informed contemporary investigation are being revisited and if there is any new evidence to consider. By way of example, it is unlikely that the Commission would support a revision of the arrangements for the commemoration where it is apparent that no new evidence is being presented and, a better informed previous decision is being revisited some 100 years later.

The following have participated in the preparation, review and submission of this report on a voluntary basis. Those noted below have read the investigative report and compared it to the criteria set out by the CWGC, as a guiding principle, and have agreed to have their name included as part of the review team. The CWGC may contact any of the reviewers at the e-mail address provided below.

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